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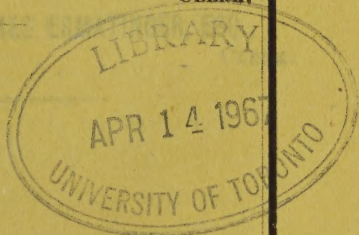
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COUNTY OF NORFOLK.

TUESDAY, the 2nd day of December, 1873, First day of the Third Regular Session, of the 24th County Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz.:—Messrs. the Warden, Challen, Wyckoff, Teeter, Robertson, Watson, Chamberlin, Sovereign, Ostrander, Cryslar, DeWitt, and Killmaster.

The minutes of the two last days of the June session were read and approved.

The Warden read several communications and reports which were laid on the table.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Killmaster, ORDERED,

That the Treasurer's report be referred to the committee on Finance with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. DeWitt, ORDERED,

That the communication from the County Judge with reference to the equalization of the assessment, for the current year, and the appeal made by the Township of Townsend, be filed in the Clerk's office for future reference.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin, ORDERED,

That the report of the Sheriff of the County be referred to the committee on Public Buildings, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. Challen, ORDERED,

That the report of the chairman of the committee appointed by

this Council, on matters connected with school sections No. 13 and 14 of Windham, be referred to the committee on Finance, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That the accounts of Drs. Sparrow and Hayes, for Medical attendance on Alfred Thorp, a laborer on the Canada Southern Railway, be referred to the committee on Finance, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,

ORDERED,

That the report of the Medical Superintendent of the Poor House, be referred to the committee on the Poor House and Industrial Farm, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,

ORDERED,

That the report of the Inspector of the Poor House be referred to the committee on Finance, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Cryslar,

ORDERED,

That the report of the County Surveyor be referred to the committee on Public Buildings, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin,

ORDERED,

That the petition of the inmates of the Poor House be referred to the committee on the Poor House, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Sovereign,

ORDERED,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

Co. Clerk, Co. Norfolk.

WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of December, 1873, Second day of the Third Regular Session of the 24th County Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz.:—Messrs the Warden, Challen, Wyckoff, Teeter, Robertson, Watson, Chamberlin, Sovereign, Ostrander, McCall, Crysler, McBride, DeWitt and Killmaster.

The minutes were read and approved.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,

ORDERED,

That the petition of Henry Meddaugh and 27 others, ratepayers of School Section No. 14, of the Township of Windham be referred to a committee of the whole council, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Challen brought up the first report of the committee on the Poor House and Industrial farm.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom the said petition was referred beg leave to report, that they would recommend the dietary of the Poor House be amended by adopting the following scale per head, viz.:

Breakfast, Bread, 4 oz.; Mush and Milk or oat meal porridge with milk or syrup; Butter, 1 oz.

Dinner, Meat, 8 oz.; Bread, 2 oz.; Potatoes, unlimited; Rice or other pudding.

Supper, Bread, 6 oz.; Butter, 1 oz.; Mush or oat meal porridge.

And that there shall be furnished for each inmate at the rate of one oz. of Tea per week and four ozs. of sugar.

In the event of failing to supply butter, molasses shall be substituted in lieu thereof in quantities at the discretion of the Inspector and Matron."

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JACOB SOVEREIGN, Chairman,

JOHN CHALLEN,

H. F. TEETER,

O. D. DEWITT,

CHARLES ROBERTSON,

HENRY J. KILLMASTER,

ALEX. MCCALL,

Committee Room, 3rd Dec. 1873.

Mr. Sovereign brought up the first report of the committee on Finance, on the report of the Inspector of the Poor House.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom was referred the above order, beg leave to report, that after carefully considering the same, find the said report satisfactory and would recommend it to be filed in the Clerk's office for future reference and that the Clerk will cause it to be printed with the minutes of this Council.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

THOMAS CHAMBERLIN, Chairman,
HENRY J. KILLMASTER,
CHARLES ROBERTSON,
ALEX. MCCALL,
JOHN CHALLENGER.

Committee Room, 3rd Dec., 1873.

Mr. Chamberlin brought up the second report of the committee on Finance, on the Treasurer's report.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Watson,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom was referred the above order, beg leave to report that they examined the said report and find it satisfactory and would recommend it to be filed in the clerk's office for future reference.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

THOMAS CHAMBERLIN, Chairman,
CHARLES ROBERTSON,
HENRY J. KILLMASTER,
ALEX. MCCALL,
JOHN CHALLENGER.

Committee Room, 3rd Dec., 1873.

Mr. McCall brought up the third report of the committee on Finance, on accounts for medical attendance on Alfred Thorp.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That the said report be adopted and that the Warden be authorized to draw his check on the County Treasurer in favour of the parties mentioned in the report for the amounts recommended.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom was referred the above order, beg leave to report that they have examined the said accounts of Drs. Sparrow and Hayes, and owing to the extraordinary circumstances under which the said medical attendance was rendered to the late Alfred Thorpe, they would recommend that Dr. Sparrow, be paid the sum of Twenty-five dollars, and Dr. Hayes, the sum of Five dollars from

the funds of this County.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

THOMAS CHAMBERLIN, Chairman,
CHARLES ROBERTSON,
JOHN CHALLENGER,
JACOB SOVEREIGN,
ALEX McCALL.

Committee Room, 3rd Dec., 1873.

Mr. Crysler brought up the first report of the committee on Public Buildings on the County Surveyor's report.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Watson,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and find it satisfactory."

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

E. M. CRYSLER, Chairman,
ROBERT WATSON,
JOHN OSTRANDER,
JOHN MCBRIDE.

Committee Room, 3rd Dec., 1873.

No. 7.—Mr. DeWitt gives notice that he will on to morrow introduce a By-Law to confirm a By-Law of the Township Council of Walsingham.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. McCall,

ORDERED,

That the statement of the Matron of the Poor House be referred to the committee on Finance, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,

ORDERED,

That the petition of Henry Meddaugh, and 27 others, ratepayers of School section No. 14, in the Township of Windham, be referred to the committee of the whole Council, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

ORDERED,

That this Council do resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

And the Council went into a committee; rose and reported through their chairman, Mr. Robertson,

No. 11.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Robertson,
ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted, and the blank in the said report be filled up with the words Fifty dollars.

No. 12.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, (in amendment,) seconded by Mr. Watson,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted and that the blank be filled up with the words Thirty dollars.

A division being called the motion in amendment was lost by a majority of three.

The original motion was then carried without a division.

YEAS on No. 12.—Messrs. Challen, Watson, DeWitt and Killmaster,4.

NAYS.—Messrs. Teeter, Robertson, Chamberlin, Sovereign, Ostrander, Crysler and McBride,7.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

“Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report, that they have carefully considered and examined the subject of the said petition, and would recommend the same to be referred to a committee composed of his Honour, the County Judge, the County Inspector of schools, and Thomas W. Clark, Esq., to investigate the matter in dispute between School sections No. 13 and 14 of Windham, and decide upon the same, previous to the 25th December instant.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

CHARLES ROBERTSON, Chairman.

No. 13.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. McBride,
ORDERED,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet to-morrow.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

Co. Clerk, Co. Norfolk.

THURSDAY, the 4th day of December, 1873, Third day of the Third Regular Session, of the 24th County Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz.:—Messrs. the Warden, Challen, Wyckoff, Teeter, Robertson, Watson, Livingstone, Chamberlin, Sovereign, Ostrander, McCall, Cryslar, McBride, DeWitt, and Killmaster.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. Challen, ORDERED,

That the petition of Philip Bray be referred to the committee of the whole with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise; also the memorial of the Teachers Association.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Killmaster, ORDERED,

That the accounts presented by the Township clerk of Walsingham, be referred to the committee of the whole, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Challen brought up the second report of the committee on the one on the Industrial Farm and Poor House.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff, ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

“Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report, that they have inspected the Poor House and Industrial Farm, and carefully considered the report of the Medical superintendent, they would favour the suggestion contained in the said report, and recommend that the cottage alluded to therein, be removed and placed contiguous to the Poor House, to be appropriated for the use of the children, for exercise and play in order to separate them as much as possible from the older inmates.

Your committee regret to report that they were obliged to expel Hugh Beatty, one of the inmates for improper conduct.

With reference to the suggestions in the said report to appropriate a room in the Gaol for the Insane, they would recommend that the Sheriff be requested to ascertain the probable cost of such alteration and arrangements, and report thereon to this Council at the January Session.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JACOB SOVEREEN, Chairman,
JOHN CHALLENGE,
O. D. DEWITT,
H. J. KILLMASTER.

Committee Room, 4th Dec., 1873.

Mr. Sovereign brought up the second report of the committee on Finance, on the statement of the Matron, on the religious services in the Poor House.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Killmaster,
ORDERED,

That the report read be received and adopted.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, (in amendment,) seconded by Mr. Chamberlin,

ORDERED,

That the said report be not now received, but be referred to the committee of the whole, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Debates arose thereon, a division being called the motion was lost by a majority of three.

YEAS.—Messrs. Teeter, Robertson, Livingstone, Chamberlin and Crysler,5.

NAYS.—Messrs. Challen, Wyckoff, Watson, Sovereign, Ostrander, McBride, DeWitt and Killmaster,8.

The original motion was then carried without a division.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

“ Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the statement of the Matron of the Poor House on the number of religious services held in the same. It affords them great pleasure to note that the ministers of the religious denominations of the Town of Simcoe, have taken so much interest in giving religious instructions to the inmates of the Poor House. But your committee regret that this Council has no power by law to provide remuneration for such services; they would recommend that the Inspector be empowered to provide a Testament for each inmate when requisite.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JACOB SOVEREEN, Chairman,
JOHN CHALLENGE,
H. J. KILLMASTER.

Committee Room, 4th Dec., 1873.

Mr. Chamberlin brought up the third report of the committee on Finance, on accounts connected with School sections 13 14 Windham, School section No. 11, Charlotteville.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin,
ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted, and that the Warden be and he is hereby authorized to draw his check on the County Treasurer in favour of the chairman of the committee for the amounts named, viz.:—School section No. 11, Charlottesville, \$15,10; School section No. 13 and 14, Windham, \$10,60;

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

“Your committee to whom was referred the accounts of expenses incurred by the committee appointed by this Council to enquire into matters connected with School sections in Windham and Charlottesville, beg leave to report that having carefully considered the same and would recommend the said accounts to be paid.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JACOB SOVEREEN, Chairman,
CHARLES ROBERTSON,
THOMAS CHAMBERLIN,
H. J. KILLMASTER,
ALEX. McCALL,
JOHN CHALLEN.

Committee Room, 4th Dec. 1873.

Mr. Crysler brought up the second report of the committee on Public buildings, on the Sheriff's report.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,
ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

“Your committee to whom was referred the above report have carefully examined the same, and beg leave to submit the following report:

“The repairs made in the foundation of the stoop, to prevent the escape of hot air, is satisfactory.

“That the Sheriff's report with regard to the salaries of the Gaoler and Turnkey be laid over for consideration at the next meeting of the County Council.

“That the report with regard to the Gaol property is satisfactory.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

E. M. CRYSLER, Chairman,
JOHN OSTRANDER,
JOHN McBRIDE,
I. G. WYCKOFF,
ROBERT WATSON.

Committee Room, 4th Dec., 1873.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Challen,
ORDERED,

That the Inspector of the Poor House be instructed to erect an addition to the cottage near the Poor House or to the Poor House itself, for the purpose of taking care of Clarissa Boyd, an indigent person; and that the Warden draw his check on the County Treasurer to defray the expenses of the same; and for other expenses that must accrue in the meantime, in supporting the said Clarissa Boyd.

No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,
ORDERED,

That the action of the Trustees of School section No. 14, of Windham, in not submitting the cause of difficulty, between School sections No. 13 and 14, of that Township, to the committee petitioned for, by them and appointed by this Council, leaving the same unsettled, and causing the County unnecessary expense, are justly censurable for such conduct.

Debates arose thereon, a division being called the motion was lost by a majority of three.

YEAS.—Messrs. Challen, Ostrander, DeWitt, and Killmaster,...4.

NAYS.—Messrs. Teeter, Robertson, Livingstone, Chamberlin, Sovereign, McCall, and Crysler,7.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Sovereign, seconded by Mr. Killmaster,

ORDERED,

That the report No. 11, of 3rd Dec., last, relative to the payment of cost by Mr. Meddaugh, in the last clause be erased.

No. 11.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

ORDERED,

Whereas it appears in the payment of School moneys to the several School sections of the Minor Municipalities, unnecessary cost is incurred in the said money passing through the hands of the Sub-Treasurers; be it therefore resolved that the Warden on behalf of this Council do memorialize the Legislature of Ontario, praying that body to enact such measures as will enable the Township Treasurer to pay over the Municipal grant direct to the school Secretary and Treasurer, instead of the same being paid in the first instance to the County, and from the County Treasurer to the Sub-treasurer of each Minor Municipality; thus avoiding the expenses and delay incurred before the Teachers can receive the apportionment in due time.

No. 12.—On motion of Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

Co. Clerk, Co. Norfolk.

FRIDAY, the 5th day of December, 1873, Fourth day of the Third Regular Session of the 24th County Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz.:—Messrs. the Warden, Challen, Wyckoff, Teeter Robertson, Watson, Livingstone, Chamberlin Sovereign, Ostrander, McCall, Crysler, Ansley, Morgan DeWitt and Killmaster.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Teeter,

ORDERED,

That the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Killmaster,

ORDERED,

That the By-Law to confirm By-Laws of the corporation of the Township of Walsingham, notice of which was given, be read a first time.

And the By-Law was read a first time.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Wyckoff, seconded by Mr. Challen,

ORDERED,

That the said By-Law be read a second time forthwith

And the By-Law was accordingly read a second time.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Morgan,

ORDERED,

That the said By-Law be engrossed and read a third time.

And the By-Law was engrossed and read a third time.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

ORDERED,

That the said By-Law do now pass and become a By-Law of this corporation and be intituled as in the caption thereof.

And the By-Law was passed and is as follows :

BY-LAW NO. 182.

To confirm By-Laws passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Walsingham, passed in open session, on 20th day of January 1873, 22nd day of September, 1873. and the 13th day of May, 1873.

Passed on 5th day of December, 1873.

WHEREAS by a certain Act of the Provincial Parliament, of the Province of Canada, passed in the 29th and 30th years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled an Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada, it is by section 345 sub section No. 2, of Chapter 51 enacted that no By-Law passed by a Minor Municipality under the provisions for the conveyance of an original

road allowance, shall have any force until confirmed by a By-Law of the Council of the County, in which the Minor Municipality is situated.

And whereas a certain By-Law passed in accordance with the above recited Act, by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Walsingham, at a session of the said Council held on the 20th day of January, 1873, authorising the Reeve to convey a portion of the original road allowance between Lots 18 and 19 in the 10th concession, of the Township of Walsingham, to Robert Craig, in lieu of a road being laid out as per survey and plan of T. W. Walsh, Esq., Provincial Land Surveyor, as annexed to the By-Law passed by the said Council.

Also a By-Law passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Walsingham, on the 22nd day of September, 1873, to establish the present plank road across concession 12, of Walsingham as the centre Town Line of the said Township, and to convey the original road allowance between Lot 12 and 13 of said concession, to the persons owning Lot 13 in the said concession.

Also a By-Law passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Walsingham, on the 13th day of May, 1873, to convey original road allowance between Lots 12 and 13, in the 11th concession of said Township, to Henry J. Killmaster, Esq., instead of the site of the present plank road formerly established and taken from the said Lot, No. 12.

And be it further enacted that the Reeve is hereby empowered to sign all necessary conveyances to the said parties.

1.—Be it therefore enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, in Council assembled, that the said By-Laws be, and are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Passed in open Council, on Friday, the 5th of Dec., A.D. 1873.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,
Cc. Clerk, Co. Norfolk.

L. S.

JOHN WILSON,
Warden.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,
ORDERED,

That this Council do now rise and go into a committee of the whole.

The Council rose and on resuming its sitting, Mr. Challen brought up the first report of the committee, on the accounts of the Township Clerk of Walsingham.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,
ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted. ...
The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts therein named; It would appear that the action taken in conveying the lunatic F. Becker from Walsingham to London was not strictly in accordance with law; we would however recommend on grounds of economy, that the Warden be authorized to issue his check in favour of the Clerk of the Township of Walsingham for the following amounts, \$11,45 for P. Mabee, and \$15,00 for Dr. Phelan.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

H. J. KILLMASTER, Chairman,

Mr. Challen brought up the first report of the committee of the whole, on the petitions of Philip Bray, and the Teachers Association.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

ORDERED,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz.:

"Your committee to whom the above order was referred, beg leave to report and recommend that no action be taken on the petition of Philip Bray and others, and on the petition of the Teachers Association.

All of which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

H. J. KILLMASTER, Chairman.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That the report of the Auditors be received and adopted, and the Warden be and is hereby authorised to issue his cheque on the County Treasurer, in favor of the claimants, for the different amounts allowed.

No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin,

ORDERED,

That a memorial on behalf of this Council be prepared and forwarded by the Warden, to the Legislature of Ontario, praying that the 16 section of the Common and Grammar School Act (34 Vic., Chap. 33) be so amended that provision therein may be made for the payment and collection of the expenses incurred by any committee appointed under the said section by the County Council, in trying and investigating complaints mentioned in the said section; that the said expenses so incurred shall be paid by the party or parties in error or otherwise, as it may be deemed to be just by said committee in 14 days after the decision of the said committee, and in case of the non-payment of the same, in the time specified; to cause the said decision with the expenses so incurred, to be recorded as a judgment in the book of the Division Court Clerk, in whose division such decision was made for collection; also, to amend the said Act, in such wise as to enable parents or guardians, to send the children under

their charge to the nearest School House, if the same shall be in a neighboring School Section, upon payment of a reasonable sum.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. DeWitt,

ORDERED,

That the sub-Treasurers of the several minor Municipalities, be instructed to furnish sureties as required by law, previous to the sitting of this Council in its January session.

No. 11.—On motion of Mr. Killmaster, seconded by Mr. Challen,

ORDERED,

That in the opinion of this Council, the use of ardent spirits as a beverage, is productive of a large amount of misery and poverty amongst us; and are further of the opinion, that the passage of Prohibitory By laws in small localities has failed to meet the expectation of the friends of temperance in suppressing the vice of drunkenness, and has been a fruitful source of contention and ill-feeling in the localities where such By-laws have been passed; we would therefore recommend the Warden to memorialise the Dominion Parliament, to pass a law to prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of spiritous liquors as a beverage, at the same time to have a proper regard to the interests of the persons who have invested capital in the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors in the Dominion.

Debates arose thereon: a division being called, the motion passed by a majority of one.

YEAS.—Messrs. Challen, Wyckoff, Watson, McBride, Morgan, DeWitt and Killmaster.

NAYS.—Messrs. Teeter, Livingstone, Chamberlin, Ostrander, Crysler and Ansley.

No. 12.—On motion of Mr. Challen, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That the Clerk be authorised to procure the blank forms required for the assessments, collectors' rolls, voters lists, notices &c., for the use of the minor municipalities.

No. 13.—On motion of Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Morgan,

ORDERED,

That the list of lands to be sold for taxes, be filed in the Clerk's office, for future reference.

No. 14.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

ORDERED,

That the Warden do now vacate the chair, and that John Challen, Esq., do take the same.

No. 15.—On motion of Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Teeter,

ORDERED,

That the thanks of this Council are due and they are hereby tendered to the Warden, for the kind conciliatory and efficient manner in which he has conducted the onerous duties of his office, and he is

hereby authorised to draw his check on the County Treasurer in his own favour for the sum of Fifty dollars, to defray the contingent expenses of his office.

No. 16.—On motion of Mr. Teeter, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin,
ORDERED,

That John Challen Esq., do now vacate the chair and the Warden resume the same.

The Warden thanked the Council before assuming the chair for the honor conferred upon him in a few appropriate words.

No. 17.—On motion of Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Robertson,
ORDERED,

That this Council do now adjourn.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

Co. Clerk, Co. Norfolk.



REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE POOR HOUSE AND INDUSTRIAL FARM

TO THE WARDEN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNTY
OF NORFOLK, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED,—

The Inspector of the Poor House and Industrial Farm, respectfully
reports :

That, during the year ending the first day of December, 1873, there have been in the Poor House, for a longer or shorter period, sixty one inmates ; the average for the year being thirty-four, Mr. and Mrs. Wallis, and one assistant, making in the whole thirty-seven to provide for. There are now in the House, thirty-nine persons—twenty-four males and fifteen females. They are from—

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| Woodhouse, | 3 |
| Windham, | 6 |
| Simcoe, | 9 |
| Charlottesville, | 3 |
| Townsend, | 7 |
| Walsingham, | 10 |
| County Council, | 1 |

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I find that the cost of each inmate for the year, for fuel, board, clothing, and bedding, amounts to \$34.03, and adding the interest on the money expended for the House, buildings, repairs, etc., and also the salaries of the several officers, (for which see the statement annexed,) and taking into account the produce of the farm, the total cost to the County for each inmate amounts to \$52.86 for the past year.

The inmates are well cared for, and are as comfortable as circumstances will admit ; but the House not being well arranged and too small for the purpose for which it was intended, it is impossible to

keep the sexes apart, or to keep the children from the aged, which is very desirable when practicable ; but to put up buildings that would be suitable in every respect would take a large outlay of money, perhaps more than would be advisable at present, and also a large sum annually to carry it out successfully, for it would require officers to attend to each separate division.

There is one thing that I would most earnestly, yet respectfully, urge upon the Reeves, that there should be great caution used in sending to the Poor House persons of bad and profane habits, for where all in some measure associate together in one house, the wicked will contaminate the rest, and consequently demoralise the whole, and especially the youthful portion of the inmates. I am very sure that Mr. and Mrs. Wallis do all in their power to watch over the poor unfortunates under their charge, and to keep them apart so as to prevent immorality ; but it is impossible for them to counteract the evil tendency of corrupt associations. I would also state with pleasure that Mrs. Willis is entitled to every consideration for the care and interest she takes in the comfort and well-being of the inmates, at the same time using every economy consistent with their necessities. It is a hard task, and there are but few that could give the satisfaction that she does.

THE FARM.

Considering the disadvantages under which we labor, with no team to work it, and the extraordinary and unaccountable failure of the seed corn to grow, which lessened our crop fully one-half, and the wheat being so badly winter killed, the produce has been very fair and on the increase, it being as follows :

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| Wheat, 70 bush. @ \$1 10..... | \$ 77 00 |
| Oats, 180 bush. @ 30..... | 54 00 |
| Corn, 180 bush. @ 50..... | 90 00 |
| Potatoes, 300 bush. @ 35..... | 105 00 |
| Turnips, 50 bush. @ 10..... | 5 00 |
| White beans, 12 bush. @ 1 00..... | 12 00 |
| Onions 7 bush. @ 1 00..... | 7 00 |
| Hay, 6 tons @ 12 00..... | 72 00 |
| Produce, of orchard and garden, | 20 00 |
| Two beef cows,..... | 58 00 |
| Pork, 1300lb @ \$5 per 100,..... | 65 00 |
| Produce of five cows,..... | 125 00 |
| Three spring calves,..... | 15 00 |
| Ten spring pigs,..... | 30 00 |
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| | \$755 00 |

Deduct the entire cost of raising the crops, for
seed, team and labor,.....\$192 80

Leaving a profit over expenses,..... 552 20

Interest on cost of farm and barns, \$3741 00,..... 224 46

Leaving a net profit in favor of farm, of..... 326 74

(See detailed statement annexed)

I would recommend that all the produce not required for the use of the house be sold.

There are now sowed on the farm, 8 acres of Wheat and 8 acres of Rye, the latter being seeded with clover.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

L. H. HUNT, Inspector.

Simcoe, Dec. 1, 1873.

A Statement of the expenses of maintaining the inmates of the Poor House for the year ending on the first day of Dec., 1873 :—

Entire cost of fuel, board, clothing bedding, and
sundry articles bought,..... \$1,259 00

Being for each inmate (thirty-seven,) for the year,... 34 03

Estimated value of farm produce consumed by each
inmate, 10 00

Being a cost per head of..... 44 03

Add the interest on the cost of new house and re-
pairs, (the farm paying the interest on its
purchase money and barns,) say \$2,020 00... 121 20

Mr. and Mrs. Wallis' salary,..... 320 00

One assistant at six dollars per month,..... 72 00

Medical Superintendent's salary,..... 100 00

Inspector's salary,..... 100 00

\$ 713 20

Deduct the net profits of farm \$326 74, and also
\$55 68 paid to the Treasurer by Bodfish,.... 385 42

\$ 327 78

Being an average for each inmate for the year,..... \$ 8 86

Add the cost per head as before stated, of..... 44 03

Making the total cost to the County for each inmate for
the year, 52 86

Being a decrease of expenditure per head over 1871, of
\$5 82.

Fractions not included.

